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FUNDS FOR SETTING UP POST OFFICES IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated for the construction of new Post Office buildings and their maintenance in Bihar during the last three years;

(b) the number of new Post Offices set up in the State during the said period; and

(c) the number of Post Offices proposed to be set up and the amount allocated for it during the current financial year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir. The details of amounts allocated for construction of new Post Offices and maintenance of all departmental buildings (Post Offices, Administrative Offices and Staff Quarters) in Bihar during the last three years are given below:

Year	Amount allocated for construction of Post Office Buildings	Amount allocated for maintenance of buildings.
1998-1999	29.65 Lakhs	120.00 Lakhs
1999-2000	34.99 Lakhs	158.10 Lakhs
2000-2001	59.87 Lakhs	370.00 Lakhs

(b) The number of new Post Offices set up in the State during the last three years are as follows:

Year	No. of Post Offices set up
1998-1999	74
1999-2000	51
2000-2001	71

(c) 60 Post Offices are proposed to be set up during the current financial year subject to fulfillments of prescribed norms and availability of requisite resources. An amount of Rs. 10 lakhs has been allocated for the purpose.